

The Water Cycle,
The rise and fall of water:
Rain drops— wet my face.

Aloha, my friend,
the volcano speaks my name:
fiery words flowing.

Science

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P.S. Thanks Art for the title!

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Haiku

The Japanese haiku is a form of poetry that consists of three lines of 17 syllables. The first line has five syllables, the second line seven, and the third line five syllables. The haiku form is about three hundred years old, so people have been writing haikus for a very long time. Haiku does not have to rhyme. Writing a haiku is an invitation to use your imagination and make people see what you're writing about in a unique way. That's what make the haiku so much fun to write. On your next visit to the library, check out

the lyrics by some of the great Japanese haiku poets. You'll see the true genius of how the Japanese use a few words that say a lot. Here are a few haiku we came up with that have an natural science twist. Haiku is typically about nature.

The geologist

A rock he studies and thinks,

Ah—metamorphic!

Unfolding the map,
I survey land formations,
And sigh, "I'm not lost!"

Wind blows at the tree,
Its branches like arms waving,
I wave back—hello!

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FOLDING INSTRUCTIONS

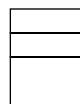
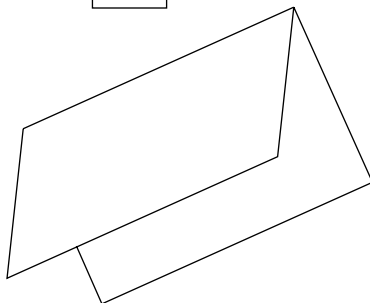
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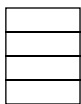
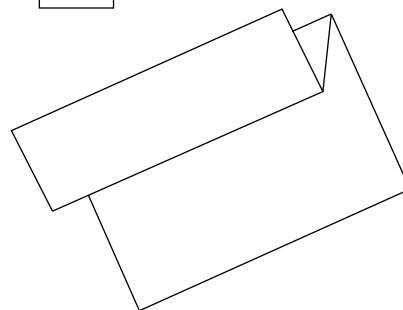
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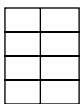
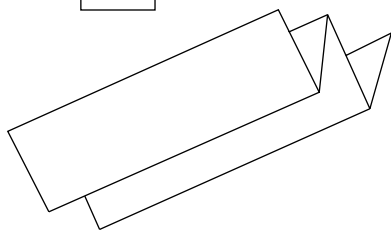
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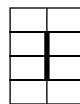
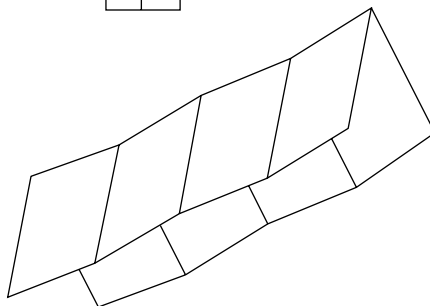
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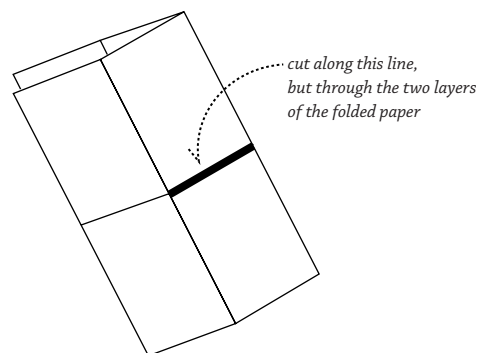
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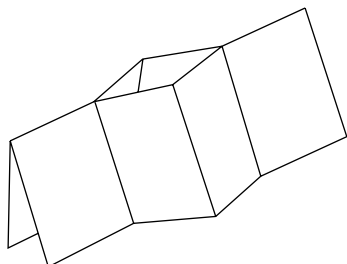
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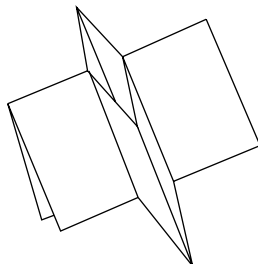
6. Refold shortwise, then use scissors to cut along the line marked here in bold.



7. Holding each end, push to the middle to open up where you made the cut.



8. Push all the way in.



9. Fold the left edge over to create the cover. Now it is a book!

